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December 13, 2006

Date

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 09/974,958

Confirmation No. : 7582

Applicants : Vernon M. Williams et al.

Filed : October 10, 2001

Attorney Docket No. : 501062.01

Art Unit : 1722

Customer No. : 27,076

Examiner : Robert B. Davis

Title : LEADFRAME AND METHOD FOR REDUCING MOLD COMPOUND ADHESION PROBLEMS

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Submission previously submitted
 - i. ☒ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 17, 2006.
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - iii. ☐ Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.

b. ☐ Submission enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

- ☒ Postcard
- ☒ Check
- ☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet
- ☐ Petition

4. Deposit Account

- ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 13, 2006

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